

SCHOOLS PINCHED BY COAL FAULTS

May Be Forced to Close Unless Shortage Is Relieved.

EXPLANATIONS CONFLICT BIG COMPANIES INVOLVED

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"The streets of Salt Lake have been too muddy; we can't deliver the coal," Manager of the Central Coal & Coke company. "Salt Lake is excited and are trying to load up with coal enough to last them until next Fourth of July," Officials of the Kemmerer Coal company. "There has been actual suffering in Salt Lake, and we see no relief for years, or until people learn to buy their coal in the summer time," Officials of the C. S. Martin Coal company. "It's the railroads' fault; they haven't any engines to haul coal with. No relief in sight for two months yet," Management Citizens' Coal company. "No engines and no coal," Officials of the Bamberger Coal company. "The railroad either blames the Utah Fuel company for not mining, or the fuel company blames the railroad for not hauling. On top of these two assertions the roads condemn everything we order," Officials of the Western Fuel company. "We don't know anything at all about the coal shortage," says the chief clerk of the Union Pacific Coal company. "We received about forty cars of coal yesterday," Superintendent of the Union Pacific Coal company. "Buckingham of the Oregon Short Line."

That's why our coal bins are empty. That's why one can go up and down Main street eight hours of any day and see women with cold, pinched faces standing about the counters at those coal bins begging for two or three sacks of coal, only to be told, just as scores have been told before them, that delivery in thirty-five days is the best they can hope for. That's why the public schools of Salt Lake will close in a few days unless the officials of several coal and railroad companies stop explaining about the shortage and hustle some of the black diamond stuff into the city, where the retailers can forget "muddy" streets, lack of coal, and deliver the goods. It's like the proverbial Chinese puzzle—only more so. "Why can't we buy coal?" asks the public every morning. Then comes a busy, bustling day of explanations by the officials of railroads, producing coal companies and two score retailers. The muddy condition of the city's streets is the latest case advanced for the shortage.

Much Talk—Some Coal. Out of the conglomerated mass of explanations being offered by the producing, hauling and selling coal interests of Salt Lake for the existing shortage, this much seems certain: Between forty and sixty cars of coal are coming into the city daily or every thirty-six hours; it is being distributed as judiciously as possible; very few cases of hardship are being reported; and the outlook for the immediate future is no worse than it has been all winter.

The Grand officials state that they are getting more coal cars every day to use for coal hauling. Oregon Short Line officials say the same. The consensus of opinion among the retail dealers is that there is little danger of the supply being entirely shut off and that the most serious aspect of the situation at present is a possibility that some of all of the city schools may have to close by the end of the month.

The Bamberger Coal company supplies the majority of the schools with coal. "We are filling up the bins of the Lowell school today," declared S. H. Fisher, manager of the Bamberger company, last night. "The other schools can stand it for two and some for three weeks yet. Then they'll have to get coal or be closed."

Who is Little Housemaid? READY FOR POULTRY SHOW. Pigeon Raisers Planning to Organize City Club.

The Utah State Poultry association will hold its annual exhibit at 48 East Second South street, Jan. 21 to 28, inclusive. There will be in connection with the exhibition a district meeting of the Western White Plymouth Rock club. Arrangements have been made for a large premium list.

The pigeon men of the city have made arrangements for a fine exhibit of more than thirty varieties of the bird, and after the show will organize a pigeon club.

WATTES AFTER WATER. Wants to Build 6,600 Foot Diverting Channel.

George H. Wattes of Murray, filed an application with the state engineer Tuesday to appropriate fifty second-foot of water from Little Cottonwood creek. The diverting channel is to be 6,600 feet in length, starting from the head of Last Chance ditch. The diverting works are to consist of a dam, headgate and rock lined conduit. The water is to be used for irrigating purposes.

The first ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS which a man saves is of greater value than the thousands he may make later on.

A wise wage-earner makes a present sacrifice for future comfort.

A Savings Account when added to regularly during the active years of life assures a competence for those years which are very sure to come, when pay-day is uncertain.

SALT LAKE SECURITY AND TRUST COMPANY. Security & Trust Bldg. 32 and 34 Main Street. Capital and surplus, \$300,000.00.

LEGISLATION TO EQUALIZE TAXES

Joint Revenue Committee to Investigate Startling Discrepancies.

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For the avowed purpose of bringing about an equalization of the tax assessments in this state and for the purpose of compelling the owners of the great mining and smelting corporations in Utah to bear their just burden of the expense of maintaining the government revenue state, a joint revenue committee will be appointed by the senate and house of the present legislature. The committee on rules has this matter in hand and will make the recommendation when it makes its report to the senate and house today. The idea is one that originated with Speaker Harry Joseph of the house.

It is pointed out that the total assessed valuation of the state is only \$145,000,000. It is said that on the present selling basis of the stocks of the various mining and smelting companies operating in Bingham canyon, these properties alone are worth an amount almost if not quite equal to the total assessed valuation of the state, under the operation of the present assessment system.

Where is Other Property? At the ruling prices of the leading mining stocks of the Bingham district companies, eight of the largest companies are worth \$135,000,000, and the remaining smaller companies are worth not less than \$10,000,000.

Assuming that these properties are assessed at their value, the question arises: "Where is the rest of the property of the state, and why is it not assessed?" It is pointed out also that under the existing laws of the state the net proceeds of the mines of the state are taxable. Last year these net proceeds were assessed at \$2,500,000. At the same time the aggregate dividends paid by mining companies of the state were, in round figures, \$1,000,000.

It is contended by those who favor the plan that if a proper and equitable assessment is made the rate will be greatly decreased and the great corporations will be forced to bear their just share of the burden.

LOCAL BRIEFS M'CORMICK RETURNS.—Clarence K. M'Cormick returned Saturday from a six months' trip to New York City.

ADAMS LOOKS ON.—Former County Attorney Adams of Nephi, Sanpete county, is in the city, an onlooker at the legislature.

FUNERAL TODAY.—The funeral of Mrs. Mary E. Gibbs will be held at the city hall, ward meeting house at 1 o'clock this afternoon.

DATE FOR DANCE.—The sophomore class of the university met yesterday and decided on the date of the annual sophomore cotillion.

CIRCLE MEETING.—Mission circle of the First Baptist church will meet with the immediate future in no worse than it has been all winter.

LEAVES FOR OMAHA.—Mrs. H. H. Heller, who has been visiting relatives in the city, will leave for Omaha today, left last night for her home in Omaha.

PHYSICIANS' MEETING.—The Utah State Medical association will meet in special session this morning to consider matters of importance to the profession.

RAINY BOY DIES.—Francis E. Cheshire, the 2-year-old son of G. Cheshire, died yesterday at the home of his parents, 47 East Eighth street, last night. Interment will take place in Ogden.

ENGINEERS MEET.—At a meeting of the Engineers' society at the university yesterday afternoon technical subjects were made by President R. A. Hart, Earl Haver and R. R. Lyman.

PRINCIPALS TO MEET.—There will be a meeting of the principals of the various public schools of the city this afternoon, at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Dr. T. B. Beatty, secretary of the state board of health, will deliver the address on "Preventable Causes of Disease."

SOMETHING MUST BE DONE.—The "American" club met last night. The discussion was on the subject of "Bracing up the present municipal administration to prevent the faithful in the city from being driven out of their jobs at the expiration of their present terms."

FLAG AT HALF-MAST.—Considerable comment was caused yesterday by the fact that the American flag over the senate chamber in the north wing of the city and county building was at half-mast. The flag was raised to the top of the mast because the lanyards became entangled in the pulley.

WANTED IN OGDEN.—Lewis Norton, wanted in Ogden and Pocatello on various charges of forging checks, was arrested at 2 o'clock this morning in a Commercial street restaurant. The Ogden police were communicated with by telephone and arrangements were made for the removal of the prisoner to the Junction City today.

TURNER ART EXHIBIT.—Masters from Alma-Tadema to Van Dyke, scenes from ancient Greece to modern America, will be seen in the Young Men's Christian association lobby during the Turner art exhibit, which that institution announces will be held from Wednesday to Saturday of this week. Saturday morning has been reserved for the exhibitors for the pupils of the local schools.

W. W. MITCHELL DIES. Los Angeles, Jan. 15.—W. W. Mitchell, a well known actor, died at the mountain division of the Oregon Short Line, died here today of heart trouble. His home was in Los Angeles, where he leaves a wife and two children.

SIX BUSY MONTHS. The registry department of the Salt Lake postoffice, during the six months ending Dec. 31, handled 26,854 domestic letters, 11,311 domestic packages, 3,697 foreign letters and 401 foreign packages, making a total of 32,863 pieces.

Parties desiring information about Schumann-Heink Ogden excursion, Thursday, please phone before noon Wednesday, Independent 1853, 1073; Bell 1073-Z.

S. D. Evans, Undertaker and embalmer, removed to new location, 48 South State street.

BENNY BOYCE, FAITHFUL MAIL CARRIER, LOST IN SNOW BETWEEN ALTA AND SANDY

Advises received last night from Park City and Alta, are that Benny Boyce, the mail carrier between Sandy and Alta, was caught in a snowslide Tuesday in Little Cottonwood canyon and has been killed. Terrible weather has been experienced in the Little Cottonwood in about Alta for a number of days and Monday the blizzard became more violent. Boyce had been making the trip up and down the canyon regularly up till Monday. He was due to arrive at Alta in the afternoon but did not reach there until late Monday night. He had a hazardous journey and was almost exhausted when he reached his destination. Monday night, however, he started back

NEPHI UNITED STATES CENTENNIAL JENSEN PASSES UP FINE CHANCE TO CHANGE IT

Nephi United States Centennial Jensen had an opportunity of losing his lengthy and patriotic entitlement yesterday and refused to do so.

Just think of it. He actually refused and must continue to go through life, perhaps through a congressional and senatorial career, with the N. U. S. C. hitched onto his christening name; for, he understood, Nephi has his prophetic eye set on higher things than mere membership in the lower house of the Utah legislature. Even a casual observer must note that Nephi is of congressional mold and when he arises to speak in the house, there can be no mistaking the symptoms.

But Nephi U. S. C. Jensen had the opportunity of becoming plain Nephi Jensen yesterday when he passed up the chance to drop the U. S. C. Representative Jensen of the patriotic name and statesmanlike mold, would not, however, accept the offer.

As there is another Jensen in the house, the clerk will hereafter not repeat the Jensen name that looks like a joke, but will refer to the member from Salt Lake and the member from Sevier.

When the clerk of the house called his full adornment yesterday, he did not flinch. When the correction of the minutes came up, however, he arose to a question of privilege. His name had appeared in the roll of members as Nephi Jensen, whereas the clerk had called his full entitlement. He did not want to sail under false colors. He wanted his name to appear in the record correctly.

During his campaign for election, he explained, he had dropped the U. S. C. application, but just why he did not say. Perhaps it was to more firmly cement the Scandinavian vote, who know, however, he was willing that the records of the seven Utah legislators should bear the burden, as he himself would not complaining.

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ANTI LOBBYING RULE IS STRONG

Even Former Governors to Be Excluded From Floor of the House.

COMMITTEE REPORTS DUE

OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF NEW GUIDES TO CONDUCT.

The Utah house of representatives will have the most stringent anti-lobbying rules of any legislative body in the country if the report of the committee on rules, which will be made this afternoon, is adopted. The report will be made by Harry J. Robinson of Bingham, who is the committee chairman.

The proposed rule bars the privileges of the floor of the house to all excepting the executive and administrative officers of the state, judges of the federal and district courts, members of the senate and employees of that body and newspaper representatives. Former governors and former members of the state and territorial legislatures, in fact every person with an "ex" preceding his title, will be excluded.

William R. Thompson, sergeant-at-arms, will be the official "bouncer" and has the power to elect such persons as Heber M. Wells, former governor, and J. D. Kinsbury, president of the state university, if they seek admittance to the chamber ruled over by the smiling Harry Joseph.

Objects of the Rule. One of the objects of this rule is to prevent lobbying on the railroad commission and school consolidation bills. Many persons previously connected with the state government are now interested in the former measure and it is thought might take occasion to use their former prestige as a means of gaining a foothold to the floor of the house. Many of the friends of the rival schools, the university and agricultural college, have in the past been allowed to occupy at will the space reserved for the solons, and owing to the big fight which is due to come, it was thought best by the committee that these persons be also excluded.

The important new rule will be one giving the speaker the power to force the report of committees. The rule provides that the speaker may, at any time, by giving four days' notice, require a committee report on any measure which the house is considering. In the past it has been the habit of committees to delay reports an unreasonable length of time and this rule it is thought will obviate this difficulty.

Must Appear on Time. The committee is also determined that the various employees of the house must at least make a show of earning their salaries, and with this end in view will require them to come to work on time.

The number of committees has been reduced from forty to thirty-seven. The auditing and smelting committees have been consolidated and insurance measures will hereafter be considered by a committee on banking and insurance. All the committees having in charge state property will be united in one committee.

One of the new rules requires that members cannot be absent without permission of the house. This rule, although common in other states, has never been adopted in Utah before.

Time for Bills Limited. The time for introducing bills also has been limited to the first thirty days of the session. Heretofore bills could be introduced up to the last day, making the work at the close of the session very hurried. The only way in which a bill can now be introduced after the thirty-day limit expires is upon recommendation of a committee.

The committee on contingent expenses met yesterday afternoon and estimated the budget for the coming year. The committee will make a report to the house on Monday.

Dr. Broadbent's Dental office 500 Scott Bldg., 163 Main.

MAKES NEW RULES. University Faculty Draws Line on Old Customs.

At a recent meeting of the faculty of the University a number of changes and additions were made to the school regulations.

If the instructor does not appear to conduct a recitation within twenty-five minutes after the time set for commencing, the class may leave at its own discretion. The old rule gave the professor only fifteen minutes.

Eating lunch in the buildings has been restricted to certain rooms. Any student speaking or knocking on the door of a class room in which a class is in session is subject to appear before the discipline committee.

COLD WAVE COMING. More Snow Is Predicted for Today.

The snowstorm that set in yesterday morning will continue today, says the weather man. Between 1 and 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon the temperature dropped from 30 to 27 degrees above zero. During this period the wind blew at the rate of thirty miles an hour. There was a fall of six inches of snow. Colder weather is expected today.

GUARANTEED STOMACH REMEDY F. C. Schramm Will Refund Money if Mi-o-na Fails to Cure.

You may ask why it is that Mi-o-na stomach tablets are sold by F. C. Schramm under a guarantee to refund the money unless they cure, when no other treatment for stomach troubles is sold in this manner.

The answer is simple and conclusive. Other medicines for stomach troubles merely digest the food, while Mi-o-na strengthens the whole digestive system so that it soon becomes able to care for all the food that is eaten.

If you do not use your arm or leg for a month, the muscles become flabby and with the food you eat. It is the same with the stomach muscles. If they are not used, they become so weak that it is necessary to continue using a digestive with the food you eat.

On the other hand, when you use Mi-o-na, your stomach soon grows so strong that you can give up the use of medicine.

Mi-o-na costs 50c a box and does more real good than a dozen boxes of ordinary digestive tablets. The proof of this is shown in the fact that a guarantee, absolute and unqualified, is given by F. C. Schramm with every box of Mi-o-na.

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The legislature is likely to take favorable action on this recommendation to erect a capitol building. If it does so, property on Capitol hill will take a big jump in values. In any event, property in this locality is valuable.

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FREE GROWERS SEEK LEGISLATION

Act of Charity Was Not Appreciated by Wanderer From California.

Frank Ople, who lives at 88 South West Temple street and who has been spending time to running a small restaurant on Second South opposite the Grand theatre, is of the opinion that all sense of gratitude in man, or woman either, for the matter of that, is utterly dead.

About three weeks ago he and his wife were approached by an elderly woman who claimed to have recently come from California, and to be in destitute circumstances and they gave her shelter.

She soon became one of the family and the worthy hosts began to congratulate themselves on the knowledge of an act of genuine charity.

Their shatter in human nature, however, was shattered yesterday when they had occasion to leave the house together. Their visitor was left in charge with \$2 in cash to pay for a load of coal that had been ordered. Upon their return they found the house ransacked, small articles missing and no signs whatever of either their erstwhile guest or the load of coal. What had happened was obvious.

The police were notified, but up to late hour last evening nothing had been learned of the absentee.

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